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#### DIVISION OF THE COUNTY.

Of course Las Vegas wants the county divided. Simply because Las Vegas wants the county seat of the proposed new county of Clark. The question is, then: Do the taxpayers of the southern end of the county, those down around Moapa, Overton, St. Thomas and elsewhere, want to shoulder the expense?

One thing is certain. The government of two counties cannot be conducted as economically as can the government of one county, if the affairs of the one county are judiciously administered, and right here we want to state that we believe the officials inducted into office last Monday, every one of them, are going to safeguard the interests of Lincoln county to the best of their

We are reminded of the agita-

tion brought to attention recently in Salt Lake City where it is proposed to reduce the number of city officials to less than onehalf and have the executive branch of the municipality in the hands of a commission consisting of three men. The proposition is to be carried to the legislature this winter; and it is claimed that if the plan is carried out the taxpayers of the city will be saved many thousands of dollars in the course of a year. There is even talk of introducing a bill in the legislature to fix it so that the same officials will admin!ster the affairs of both the city and county, simply to cut down the save money to taxpayers. It is the same way in almost every other enterprise, and that is why we hear of so many consolidations of large corrections. idations of large corporations having been made during the past few years. A merchant cannot conduct two stores as cheaply as he can one store. Because where only one organization can do the business of two organizations, the cost of opera-

tion must be lower. That is exactly the proposition in this matter of dividing Lincoln county. The new county of Clark would have to pay a lot of new officers; a court house would have to be built; the records would have to be transcribed. and this last item would in no means be insignificant. Besides, there would be a hundred other things that would help to pile up more expense. If the county were thickly populated thereusing the carving knife.

Las Vegas wants this county divided, as we have said, just which is to begin early in the because it has a selfish interest because it has a selfish interest spring. While the citizens of in the proposition. What does Pioche would liked to have had Mr. Mining Man Las Veges care about raised tax- the school located here in Pioche, ation for the property owners of at the same time they feel that Moapa, St. Thomas, Searchlight, the decision of the commissionor anywhere else, if it can win ers was not so objectionable after the distinction of being a county all. Panaca is a good location seat. There is plenty of food for a school, which will be easily for serious thought about this accessible for students from here. county division matter, and The selection of Panaca is not a wouldn't it be a good idea to do bad one at all. this serious thinking before it is too late to remedy a serious evil. Is it not better to let well enough in Carson City on the 18th inst. alone?

#### PURCHASE THE CHEMICALS.

Last week we called attention to the need of better fire protec- 1909. tion for this town, and we are now pleased to note that substantial propress has been made in that direction since our last were cast, of which Taft received issue. The appointment by the 7,637,676: Bryan, 6,393,182; county commissioners of a new Debs, 448,471; Chafin, 241,252; fire board, consisting of C. A. Hisgen, 83,185; Watson, 33,871; Thompson, chairman; Ed F. Gilhaus, 15,421, Taft's plurali-Freudenthal and John Ewing; ty over Bryan as 1,244,494. also the naming of Alex Orr as night policeman and town marchal, insures to the citizens of Pi oche that they are going to soon come to the PIOCHE RECORD ofget what they have been asking fice. We keep them.

for to reduce the hazard on their property.

All members of the board of county commissioners have signified their willingness to help out on this proposition by allowing the fire board to draw on the town fund, which -as we stated last week, now contains some-thing over \$2000—for a sufficient sum to proceed with the purchase of at least two chemical engines. These machines are essential in any town the size of Pioche, and while we have no figures upon which to base a conclusion, yet we are of the opinion that ninety per cent of the fires started in the cities are extinguished by the chemicals, thus avoiding the necessity oftentimes of damaging property by water. know of one instance in Pioche when a serious conflagration could have been avoided had chemical engines been available. In this case something went wrong with the water works. and before water was obtainable many hundreds of dollars worth of property had gone up in

Chairman Thompson informs us that these chemicals can be laid down in Pioche for about \$750 each; with the discount off for cash. No property-owner wuold begrudge the investment. The engines should be purchased by

all means. We need them. The two fire stations are amply large enough to hold the new apparatus, as well as the old: As hence no extra expense need be A B Pioche and other streets where Jake the new buildings have been going up, Pioche will be very well protected from fire. Then we over ought to get a reduction in insurance rates. This much has been promised by the under-writers.

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#### THE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL.

Hats off to Panaca. The coun-

ty commissioners last Tuesday selected our neighbor down the valley as the site for the proposed county high school, and the choice was made by a unanimous vote. Commissioner Ronnow stated that the citizens of his home town would donate the ground required for the buildings, and pending the construcmight be some justification for tion of the latter, room would be provided in the new district school building, the erection of spring. While the citizens of

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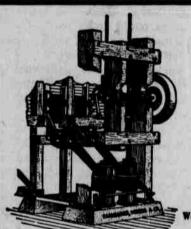
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